

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Kindly amend the claims, without prejudice, without admission, without surrender of subject matter, and without any intention of creating any estoppel as to equivalents, as follows:

1-13. (Canceled)

14. (New) A method of treating a structure comprising a cement-based product and steel rebars, said method inhibiting rebar corrosion and product degradation due to alkali reactions and to presence of alkalis and sulfates in said structure, said method comprising the following step:

a composition containing lithium glycerophosphate is applied to said structure.

15. (New) A method as claimed in claim 14, wherein said composition is an aqueous solution.

16. (New) A method as claimed in claim 15, further comprising the following step:

impregnating said structure with said aqueous solution containing lithium glycerophosphate.

17. (New) A method as claimed in claim 16, wherein said structure is impregnated with said composition by applying said composition to a surface of said structure.

18. (New) A method as claimed in claim 17, wherein an amount of lithium glycerophosphate from 0.003 to 3 mol/m² is applied.

19. (New) A method as claimed in claim 18, wherein said composition is applied using means selected from the group consisting of a brush, a roller and a spray device.

20. (New) A method of treating a structure comprising a cement-based product and steel rebars, wherein said steel rebars are exposed to open air, to inhibit corrosion of said steel rebars, said method comprising the following step:

said rebars are covered with a paint containing lithium glycerophosphate.

21. (New) A method as claimed in claim 20, wherein said paint is an aqueous-based paint.

22. (New) A treatment method for treating a not-yet solidified cement-based paste intended to solidify and immobilize steel rebars thereby forming a structure comprising said rebars and a solidified cement based product, said method comprising the following step:

incorporating a composition containing lithium glycerophosphate into said not-yet solidified cement-based paste.

23. (New) A method as claimed in claim 22, wherein an amount of between 0.001 wt% and 1 wt% lithium glycerophosphate is incorporated into said paste.
24. (New) A method as claimed in claim 23, wherein said composition is an aqueous solution.
25. (New) A structure comprising a cement-based product and steel rebars, obtained by a method as claimed in claim 14.
26. (New) A structure comprising a cement-based product and steel rebars, obtained by a method as claimed in claim 20.
27. (New) A structure comprising a cement-based product and steel rebars, obtained by a method as claimed in claim 22.